HOUSE BILL 2391

By Alexander

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7 and Title 65, relative to advanced broadband services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 59, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

7-59-209. Availability of advanced broadband internet service.

- (a) As used in this section, "advanced broadband internet service" means broadband service that is capable of delivering download and upload speeds of at least one hundred megabits per second (100 Mbps) in each direction.
- (b) On or before July 1, 2022, each person holding a franchise shall file with the applicable franchising authority a map or other information indicating the specific locations within the person's franchised area where the person offered advanced broadband internet service as of January 1, 2022.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 59, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

7-59-319. Availability of advanced broadband internet service.

- (a) As used in this section, "advanced broadband internet service" means broadband service that is capable of delivering download and upload speeds of at least one hundred megabits per second (100 Mbps) in each direction.
- (b) On or before July 1, 2022, each person holding a state-issued franchise shall file with the department a map or other information indicating the specific locations within

each of the person's franchised areas where the person offered advanced broadband internet service as of January 1, 2022.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-5-109, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

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- (1) As used in this subsection (w), "advanced broadband internet service" means broadband service that is capable of delivering download and upload speeds of at least one hundred megabits per second (100 Mbps) in each direction.
- (2) On or before July 1, 2022, each certificated provider electing market regulation shall file with the regulatory commission a map or other information indicating the specific locations where the provider offered advanced broadband internet service as of January 1, 2022.

SECTION 4. The headings in this act are for reference purposes only and do not constitute a part of the law enacted by this act. However, the Tennessee Code Commission is requested to include the headings in any compilation or publication containing this act.

SECTION 5. This act takes effect upon passage, the public welfare requiring it.

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